

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
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Mayor Rhonda Hagan presided over the regular monthly meeting of the Bloomfield City Council calling it to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Bloomfield Fire House. She led the *Pledge Allegiance to the Flag*. Elected council members present were Laura Barnett, Denny Howard and Sue Ann Case. Public Works Superintendent Ricky Jewell, Police Chief Kenny Downs and City Attorney Amanda Rogers Deaton were present.

VACANCIES: The elected members of the council went to work to fill the vacant positions on the council one at a time. Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to nominate Tammy Wimpsett to the fourth seat. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Howard, to nominate Jim Glisson to the fifth seat. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Wimpsett made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to nominate Janet Graves to the sixth seat. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Note: Mayor Hagan conducted the oath after each appointment.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were hand delivered meeting packets that included a copy of the December 14, 2014 regular meeting minutes and waived the reading. Howard made motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to approve the meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Next, Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Wimpsett, to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2014-100, REZONING 0.69 ACRES 247 ARNOLD LANE: Wimpsett held the second reading of ordinance to rezone 0.69 acres on 247 Arnold Lane (Shelburne) from B-3 (Regional Retail Business District) to B-4 (General Business District). Case made a motion, duly seconded by Howard, to adopt the ordinance. *Motion carried by the following 6-0 roll call vote: Barnett-yes, Case-yes, Glisson-yes, Graves-yes, Howard-yes, and Wimpsett-yes.*

GARBAGE CONTRACT: Mayor Hagan relayed that after talking with Tim McNally of Waste Management about re-bidding the contract she learned that bidders would increase rates by \$2 over what the Customers are currently paying. Keeping within the renewal terms of the existing contract McNally assured Mayor Hagan that Waste Management's two year renewal would include the newly annexed addresses (about 40 new customers), a 50c administrative fee and a 2% increase (21 cents) on the present contract rate (presently \$10.52). This proposal brings the rate to \$11.23 per residential customer. Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to renew the garbage contract with Waste Management. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* McNally requested a list of new customers.

BLOOMFIELD COMMISSIONER ON THE JOINT CITY-COUNTY ZONING BOARD: Kenny Brown's term will expire February 2015. Mayor Hagan says that Brown will continue his term on Bloomfield's Board of Adjustment until it expires. A new commissioner must be appointed in February.

KENTUCKY UTILITIES 20 YEAR FRANCHISE EXPIRES: Jan Coleman and Christy Thompson of KU were on hand to explain the process of bidding the 20 year electric franchise for the City of Bloomfield. They explained the revenues that Kentucky Utilities brings to the city each year by the 3% charge imposed on all electric bills. They presented the expiring contract to all council members and asked for a copy of addresses from the City's newly annexed property. They explained the necessity for adopting an ordinance to establish the electric franchise once again.

ORDINANCE 2015-101, CREATING A FRANCHISE: Barnett held the first reading for creating a franchise for the erection, laying and maintenance of electric facilities and appurtenant facilities and equipment in, along and across the public ways, roads, street, alleys and other public places in the City of Bloomfield, Kentucky: for furnishing and selling electricity by means of said facilities; and providing for the sale of said franchise.

NEW BUSINESS

MEETING PRESIDER IN MAYOR'S ABSENCE: Case made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to appoint Howard as meeting presider in the mayor's absence. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

CITY OFFICIALS ACADEMY: Clerk Jury informed the council that Case is already registered to go to Lexington January 21-23 for city officials training. Graves confirmed that she will be attending. Barnett and Wimpsett said they would let Clerk Jury know the next day if they are going. Registration is required.

XEROX COPIER REPLACEMENT: Clerk Jury reported that the Xerox copier is having major issues. She also said it was purchased by an Area Development Grant in 2006 making it 9 years old. She presented a proposal from Danville Office Equipment to purchase a refurbished Savon copier (a 33,000 copy machine, valued at \$15,685 new) for \$4,900. A quote was presented that included a \$430.37 monthly lease for one year. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Wimpsett, to lease the copier through June, then include the purchase in next year's budget. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

PROPOSAL FROM COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: Howard ascertained that Magistrate Jerry Hahn approached the City of Bloomfield with the idea that the County EMS lease a city owned building for the area's ambulance and staff. Howard, after meeting with the Mayor and EMS County Director Joe Prewitt, said that it was basically agreed upon by Prewitt that the County would obligate themselves to lease the city-provided building for a set number of years. This, thereby, would guarantee repayment of the estimated expense should the City provide a building that meets the County EMS' requirements. Wimpsett made a motion, duly seconded by Case, to authorize Mayor Hagan to assemble the facts (and present at next month's meeting) that would determine the feasibility of providing a 1,100 square foot space for the ambulance and staff. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

HAZARD MITIGATION AND FEMA: Mayor Hagan informed the Council that every city must participate in the Lincoln Trail Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan update in order to be eligible for any FEMA Hazard Mitigation assistance in the event of a declared disaster such as an ice storm or tornado. She plans to attend the meeting at Muldraugh Safe Room on January 29, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (EST). Glisson stated that he would go also.

EXECUTIVE

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor Hagan spoke of a questionnaire included in the Council packets. She suggested the council submit comments so that she would get a sense of direction for the City for this coming year. She also spoke of a potluck being planned for the participants of the Farmers Market being held at the library on February 26 at 5:30 p.m. She announced the Bourbon Trail Restaurant is now open at the 155 Arnold Lane location.

PUBLIC WORKS: Superintendent Jewell informed the Council the news that Scott Thompson passed his Class II Water Certification test and now has his license and with that should come a \$1 per hour raise. Mayor Hagan proudly announced that this was the first time in Bloomfield's Water and Sewer System that there are two Class II Water licensed operators. Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Wimpsett, to authorize the \$1 per hour raise in salary. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Jewell reported that the McKay and Colonial Avenue sidewalk construction lacks about 250 feet and Cedar Creek Concrete Impressions plans to finish the project next week.

POLICE: Chief Downs spoke of 12 citations issued from the Bloomfield Police Department last month. He noted that he is working with Nelson County Sheriff Ed Mattingly and Bardstown Dispatch in establishing a process to alert the Bloomfield Police Department of activities throughout the County on a daily basis so that Bloomfield Police Department may effectively provide support in their day-to-day operations.

ADJOURNMENT

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Case, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk

Date: _____

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor